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TO:

Summit County Board of Health

Scott Vargo Jeff Huntley

FROM: Lori Dwyer

RE:

BOCC and BOH Joint Meeting of April 22, 2020

DATE: April 22, 2020

Attendees:

Elected Officials (via conference phone): Karn Stiegelmeier, Thomas C. Davidson and Elisabeth Lawrence - Commissioners. Jaime FitzSimons - Sheriff

Staff (via conference phone): Scott Vargo, County Manager; Jeff Huntley, County Attorney: Bentley Henderson, Assistant County Manager; Sarah Vaine, Assistant County Manager; Marty Ferris, Finance Director; Amy Wineland, Public Health; Joel Cochran, Sheriff's Office; Brian Bovaird, Emergency Management; Julie Sutor, Director of Communications; Stacey Nell, Chief Deputy Clerk; Lesley Hall, Director of Animal Control; April Paige, Executive Administrative Assistant and Lori Dwyer, Administrative Assistant.

Guests (via phone): Jack Taylor, Laura Cronin, Susan Wentworth, Antonio Olivero, Lea Dreaux, Amy Grojek, Andy Jarski, Anna Farrenkopf, Brett Howard, Brian Chavez, Anne Marie Ohly, Helen Cospolich, David Rossi, Jen Lofton, Jennifer Cawley, Jen Pullen, Kelli Mcantee, Paul Myers, Holly Cross, Mellanee Montgomery, Taryn Power, Dan Fallon, Sarah Thorsteinston, Chris Koeberl, Ryan Oldham, Melissa Dasakis, David O'Brien, Denise Roberts, Henry Barr, Aaron Landau, Anna Farrenkopf, Peyton Rogers. Kate Hudnut, Ro Mayberry, Robb Mayberry, Mikel Traweek, Tim Davidson, Corry Mihm, Tim West, Tasha Wilson, Tara Olson, Tamara Poque, Scarlett Lewark, Cheryl Wise, Robb Monnaville, Nicole Maynard, Jay Beckerman, Peter Siegel, Alys Macias and others that did not sign in.

Sarah Vaine gave an introduction and noted the concerns of the public and the balance that must be struck between health and economic concerns.

Amy Wineland gave an update of recent testing with the assistance of Vail Health. She noted the testing capacity and successes thus far. Ms. Vaine noted that they will likely continue to assist for at least a year.

Ms. Wineland gave an update on surveillance and contact tracing. She noted that Summit County's social distancing success rate has been higher than that of the state. She stated that it will likely take 18 months or longer to create a vaccine. She reiterated the importance of protecting those that are most vulnerable within the community, and making sure the local health care system is not overwhelmed.

Brian Bovaird gave an update on hiring a Temporary Deputy Emergency Manager. He noted that it is an eligible expense for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursement, and has identified at least one person that would meet the criteria for the position.

Marty Ferris gave an update on County finances in light of projected decreased tax revenues. She noted that she will present an in-depth look at the budget at the next Work Session of the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC).

Bentley Henderson gave an introduction to the Recovery and Resiliency Committee and noted that the next meeting of that committee will be Monday, April 27th.

Ms. Vaine gave an update on sharing supplies with nearby counties and coordinating messaging with them.

Ms. Wineland gave an overview of why Summit County is discouraging tourism at this time. She noted that we must maintain the health and safety of the majority of the population. She explained that each county will be different given capacity to implement strategies and explained how Summit County hopes to see a steady decline in cases before we re-open short-term lodging to the public.

Staff noted that concerns and questions should be directed to CovidQuestions@SummitCountyco.gov.

Ms. Vaine and Ms. Wineland gave an update on the public health order from the Governor and discussed with the Commissioners what changes they would like to see in the local updated Public Health Order. Ms. Vaine noted that the information the County has received from the state thus far has been from the Governor's press conferences.

Commissioners and staff discussed requiring face coverings when around other people outside of their household as a broad-based measure. They also noted that the Summit County Public Health Order cannot be less restrictive that the Governor's public health order.

Ms. Vaine and Ms. Wineland read certain items from the state orders and proposed Summit County Public Health Order, based on the state requirements, and received input from the Board:

- Vulnerable populations and older adults must stay at home as much as possible.
 - Ms. Wineland noted that the County has defined "older adults" as those over the age of 60 for the last several weeks. Commissioner Stiegelmeier noted that she would prefer this separated into two bullet points to emphasize each part.
- Gatherings of more than 10 people are prohibited, and people must maintain a 6 foot distance when gathering with those outside of their immediate family.
- Non-essential retail businesses will remain closed but can continue to take orders online or over the phone and provide products through delivery.
 - Ms. Wineland noted that staff are working on a Social Distancing Protocol document for local businesses that will assist them in reopening by giving them a guideline on sanitation and social distancing. The document will be required to be posted within their

establishment. Commissioner Stiegelmeier noted that she would like the language in the order to include curbside pickup.

- Real Estate agents can conduct showings in person, but open houses are prohibited.
 - Ms. Wineland noted that face coverings would be required and virtual showings would be recommended.
- Childcare services will be open with strict precautions to prevent transmission of the virus.
 - Ms. Vaine noted that she has received many concerned emails from both providers and parents. Commissioners and staff discussed changing the date to May 11th to give providers more time to set up precautions.
- Elective medical and dental procedures begin, with strict precautions to ensure adequate personal protective equipment and the ability to meet critical care needs.
 - Staff and Commissioners noted their support for allowing these procedures.
- Personal services (salons, tattoo parlors, dog grooming, personal training, etc.) will open with strict precautions.
 - The Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) is working to create a set of procedures and guidelines to help personal service providers keep themselves and others safe. Ms. Wineland noted that we are awaiting a definition of what is considered a personal service but that upon review of the precautions and list of services, staff believe this could take place.
 - Commissioners and staff discussed how to clearly communicate all of this to service providers and what to do when someone does not comply with the order. Ms. Vaine noted that most individuals have been compliant with the order.
 - Commissioners gave a target date of May 1st, with the possibility of amendment when recommendations from DORA are received.
- Restaurants and bars can continue to offer takeout and delivery. Dine-in services are not allowed.
 - o Commissioner Stiegelmeier noted that while this will not change immediately, we should let restaurants know what the next step will be and when it will occur.
- Nonessential office workplaces can reopen May 4th with up to 50% of staffing. Employers
 are encouraged to telecommute as much as possible and workers must maintain a 6 foot
 distance while at work.
 - Ms. Vaine noted that even in small offices, we must defer to the Governor's order. Ms.
 Wineland noted that in very small offices, square footage may determine that office cannot contain that many people in order to maintain a 6 foot separation.
- Car rentals are allowed.
- Summit Stage main lines will resume operation with buses limited to fewer 10 than
 passengers. Paratransit services will continue for people who need transportation to
 work and essential services. All riders will be required to wear facial coverings.
 - Mr. Henderson noted that the main lines are those that run along the Snake River and Blue River and will run every two hours. The Summit Stage will track overflow and follow up with a second vehicle when stops exceed the limits, if needed. Bus service will run from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Places of worship are allowed to open, as long as people maintain a 6 foot distance and gatherings are limited to fewer than 10 people at one time.
 - Commissioner Lawrence noted that this is in line with the Governor's public health order.
- Second homeowners cannot visit their homes unless it is necessary for maintenance or other essential activities.
 - Scott Vargo noted that this is the same approach as we have been taking with the existing public health order and is in line with what other counties are doing.

- Trailhead parking will be limited and parking enforcement will continue.
- All lodging businesses, including hotels, motels, timeshares and short term rentals (e.g., Airbnb, VRBO) are required to be closed, except to members of the local workforce using lodging units as residences. All lodging businesses are prohibited from taking any new reservations for dates sooner than May 31.
 - Ms. Vaine noted that those businesses need as much notice as can be given for booking. Ms. Wineland noted that this relates to avoiding unnecessary travel.

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Commissioners and staff also discussed youth sports, summer camps and small gyms. Mr. Vargo noted that we do not yet have firm guidance from the state.

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